



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 570

LCO No. 2221

Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:
SEN. LEBEAU, 3rd Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, MOTOR BUS
IDLING AND BENEFICIAL USE OF SOLID WASTE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to give the Commissioner of
2 Environmental Protection greater discretion when assessing civil
3 penalties, to make the criminal penalties for failing to maintain or
4 destroying information concerning air, water, solid and hazardous
5 waste violations consistent, to require parties to seek a hearing
6 regarding certain water permits before a final determination has been
7 made, to increase the fee for a structure constructed without the
8 required permit to four times the original application fee, to increase
9 the current penalties for violating the dam safety provisions to twenty-
10 five thousand dollars per offense, to make the idling of a motor bus an
11 infraction for a first offense and to carry a fine of one hundred to five
12 hundred dollars for a subsequent offense, and to allow the
13 Commissioner of Environmental Protection to authorize beneficial
14 uses of solid waste under certain circumstances.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the enforcement authority of the Department of Environmental Protection, to prohibit motor bus idling, and to allow the Commissioner of Environmental Protection to authorize beneficial uses of solid waste under certain circumstances.